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A revised draft notification is sent herewith subject to the following remarks:-

2. H.D. rules 5 and 8: Under the second paragraph of section 9 of the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867, as inserted by the Press and Registration of Books (Bombay Amendment) Act, 1948, printers are also required to deliver upto five copies to such public libraries as may be specified by the Provincial Government. These copies cannot therefore be sent to the Collector of Bombay or the Dittrist Magistrates. Sub-rule (2) of revised rule 5 accordingly specifies the libraries and the number of copies to be supplied to them.

3. H.D. draft rule 10: This rule has been recast in the form of new 11A. Clause (6) of the Home Department rule refers to transmission of copies to the Secretary of State or the authorities of the British Museum. But under section 11 of the Act as adapted by the Indian Independence (Adaptation of Central Acts and Ordinances) Order, 1948, it is no longer necessary to transmit such copies to the British Museum or the Secretary of State Since it is not necessary to send any copies to the British Museum or the Secretary of State it would suffice if the printers are required to supply only two copies to the Central Library. Draft to supply rule 5(2) has accordingly provided for supply of two copies only to the Central Library and draft rule 11A provides how the Central Library shall dispose of the two copies.

4. Consequently amndments have been made in rules 8 and 10. It does not appear necessary to delete rule 11 as proposed by the Home Department.

5. The existing rule 9 is not happily worded in as much as it refers to the publication of the catalogue

of books and transmis-sion of a copy thereof to the Government of India. Actually copies of thememoranda are required to be published and forwarded to the Government of India (vide section 19 of the Act). The rule is accordingly proposed to be substituted.

6. The Home Department is requested to verify whether the revised notification carries out its intention. The Home Department may show the amendments to the Education and Industries Department if necessary.

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U.R. to H.D. No. 5146, dated the 11th May 1949.

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